First Saturday Devotion



HELD EVERY 1ST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH
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FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION

The desire for a First Saturday devotion was revealed by the Blessed Virgin Mary to the three children at Fatima in 1917. On December 10, 1925, the Virgin revealed more details about the devotion to Sister Lucia, the only seer still alive, and at that time a cloistered nun. From that time, the devotion has spread throughout the world on the day (Saturday) that the Church has traditionally honored the Blessed Virgin. There is no distinct confraternity/association for this devotion, though many apostolates incorporate it into their devotional program.

<u>Purposes</u>

To establish devotion (in accordance with God's wishes) to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, and to make reparation for:

- 1. Attacks upon the reality of Mary's Immaculate Conception;
- 2. Attacks against the reality of Mary's Perpetual Virginity;
- 3. Attacks upon Mary's Divine Maternity and the refusal to accept her as the Mother of all mankind;
- 4. For those who try to publicly implant in children's hearts indifference, contempt and hatred for Immaculate Mary;
- 5. For those who insult Mary directly in her sacred images.

Practices

The devotion involves the following practices on five consecutive first Saturdays with the specific intention of making reparation for the offenses (above) against the Blessed Virgin.

- 1. Go to Confession (within 8 days before or after the first Saturday);
- 2. Receive Holy Communion;
- 3. Recite five decades of the Rosary;
- 4. "Keep me company for fifteen minutes while meditating on fifteen mysteries of the Rosary" (separate from the Rosary itself).

Promises

- 1. The Virgin Mary's assistance at the hour of death with the graces necessary for salvation for those who practice the devotion.
- 2. Salvation of souls and peace as a result of promoting the Devotion to the Immaculate Heart.

DEVOTIONAL PRAYERS TO THE CHILD JESUS



ACT OF CONSECRATION TO THE CHILD JESUS

DIVINE INFANT JESUS, / I ADORE YOU. / I LOVE AND VENERATE YOU/ ON THE MYSTERIES OF YOUR HOLY INFANCY. / I GIVE YOU THANKS / THAT YOU HAVE BECOME A CHILD OF LOVE TO ME / AND IN RETURN, / I GIVE AND CONSECRATE MYSELF ENTIRELY TO THE LOVE OF YOU. / I BEG OF YOU / TO GRANT ME NOW AND THROUGHOUT MY LIFE, / THE VIRTUES OF YOU HOLY CHILDHOOD. /

GIVE ME DEAR JESUS,/ THE TREASURES OF YOUR HUMILITY,/ THE SWEETNESS OF YOUR CHARITY,/ YOUR GENTLE PATIENCE,/ MEEKNESS AND SIMPLICITY./ O MAY YOUR SWEET GRACE DRAW ME TO LOVE AND IMITATE YOU,/ A LITTLE ONE ON EARTH/ THAT I MAY FOREVER SEE AND ENJOY/ YOUR MAJESTY IN HEAVEN. AMEN./

CHAPLET OF THE CHILD JESUS

(THREE TIMES IN HONOR OF THE HOLY FAMILY)

LEADER: AND THE WORD WAS MADE FLESH,

ALL: AND DWELT AMONG US.

LEADER: OUR FATHER.

ALL: GIVE US THIS DAY.....

(ONCE)

LEADER: AND THE WORD WAS MADE FLESH,
ALL: AND DWELT AMONG US.

(TWELVE TIMES IN MEMORY OF THE CHILDHOOD OF OUR LORD)

LEADER: HAIL MARY....

ALL: HOLY MARY....

(ONCE)

LEADER: GLORY BE TO THE FATHER.....

ALL: AS IT WAS IN THE BEGINNING.....

DIVINE INFANT JESUS, / I ADORE THY CROSS, / AND I ACCEPT ALL THE CROSSES THOU WILT BE PLEASED TO SEND ME. / ADORABLE TRINITY, / I OFFER THEE/ FOR THE GLORY OF THE HOLY NAME OF GOD/ ALL THE ADORATIONS OF THE SACRED HEART/ OF THE HOLY INFANT JESUS. /

PRAYER FOR THE HEALING OF A SICK PERSON

O HOLY CHILD JESUS,/ LORD OF LIFE AND DEATH,/ I BOW BEFORE YOU,/ UNWORTHY AND MISERABLE SINNER THAT I AM,/ TO IMPLORE YOU TO CURE (NAME THE PERSON(S) ON BEHALF OF WHOM YOU ARE ASKING THIS BLESSING) WHO ARE DEAR TO MY HEART. THEY ARE IN GREAT SUFFERING, / WRACKED WITH PAIN, / AND CAN FIND NO RELIEF EXCEPT IN YOU, / IN WHOM THEY PUT THEIR HOPE. / RELIEVE THEM IN THEIR AGONY, / O HEAVENLY DOCTOR, / FREE THEM FROM THEIR SUFFERING/ AND GIVE THEM PERFECT HEALTH, / IF THAT BE YOUR DIVINE WILL/ AND FOR THE GOOD OF THEIR SOUL. / AMEN. /

LITANY OF THE CHILD JESUS

LORD, HAVE MERCY ON US. LORD, HAVE MERCY ON US.

CHRIST, HAVE MERCY,
CHRIST, HAVE MERCY ON US.

CHRIST, HEAR US
CHRIST, GRACIOUSLY HEAR US.

GOD THE FATHER OF HEAVEN,

HAVE MERCY ON US.

GOD, THE SON, REDEEMER OF THE WORLD
GOD, THE HOLY SPIRIT,
MIRACULOUS CHILD JESUS,
DIVINE INFANT JESUS, TRUE GOD AND TRUE MAN,
DIVINE INFANT JESUS, LORD OF HEAVEN AND EARTH,
DIVINE INFANT JESUS, WHOSE LOVE KNOWS NO BOUNDS,

DIVINE INFANT JESUS, WHO CAME ON EARTH TO SHOW US THE WAY TO THE FATHER,

DIVINE INFANT JESUS, TRUE LIGHT OF THE WORLD, DIVINE INFANT JESUS, FONT OF ETERNAL LIFE, DIVINE INFANT JESUS, PATIENT AND LOVING,

DIVINE INFANT JESUS, SOURCE OF PEACE AND CONSOLATION, HAVE MERCY ON US.

DIVINE INFANT JESUS, HOPE OF ALL HUMANITY,
DIVINE INFANT JESUS, BURNING FURNACE OF LOVE,
DIVINE INFANT JESUS, LOVER OF JUSTICE AND TRUTH,
DIVINE INFANT JESUS, DISPENSER OF ALL GRACES,
DIVINE INFANT JESUS, TEACHER OF ALL VIRTUES,
DIVINE INFANT JESUS, KING OF ALL HEARTS,
DIVINE INFANT JESUS, DIVINE WONDER WORKER,

Be Merciful,
Spare us, O Lord

BE MERCIFUL, GRACIOUSLY HEAR US, O LORD

FROM ALL SIN,

O JESUS, DELIVER US.

FROM A SUDDEN DEATH,
FROM LIGHTNING AND STORMS,
FROM FLOODS AND PLAGUES,
FROM LOSS OF FAITH IN YOU,
FROM EVERLASTING HELL FIRE,
THROUGH YOUR BIRTH,
THROUGH YOUR PASSION,
THROUGH YOUR RESURRECTION,
THROUGH YOUR ASCENSION,
THROUGH YOUR INFINITE LOVE,

LAMB OF GOD, YOU TAKE AWAY THE SINS OF THE WORLD, SPARE US, O LORD.

LAMB OF GOD, YOU TAKE AWAY THE SINS OF THE WORLD, GRACIOUSLY HEAR US, O LORD.

LAMB OF GOD, YOU TAKE AWAY THE SINS OF THE WORLD, HAVE MERCY ON US.

JESUS, HEAR US, JESUS, GRACIOUSLY HEAR US.

OUR FATHER....
HAIL MARY...
GLORY BE...

LET US PRAY:

O HOLY CHILD JESUS,/ WHO SHED YOUR BLESSINGS/ ON WHOEVER INVOKES YOUR NAME,/ LOOK KINDLY ON US/ WHO KNEEL HUMBLY BEFORE YOUR HOLY IMAGE,/ AND HEAR OUR PRAYERS./ WE COMMEND TO YOUR MERCY,/ THE MANY POOR AND NEEDY PEOPLE/ WHO TRUST IN YOUR DIVINE HEART./

LAY YOUR ALL POWERFUL HAND UPON THEM/ AND HELP THEM IN THEIR NEEDS./ LAY YOUR HAND UPON THE SICK,/ TO CURE THEM/ AND SANCTIFY THEIR SUFFERING;/ UPON THOSE IN DISTRESS,/ TO CONSOLE THEM;/ UPON SINNERS,/ TO DRAW THEM INTO THE LIGHT OF YOUR DIVINE GRACE;/ UPON ALL THOSE THOUGH STRICKEN WITH GRIEF AND SUFFERING,/ TURN TRUSTINGLY TO YOU FOR LOVING HELP./

LAY YOUR HAND ALSO UPON ALL OF US/ AND GIVE US YOUR BLESSING./ O LITTLE KING,/ GRANT THE TREASURES OF YOUR DIVINE MERCY TO ALL THE WORLD,/ AND KEEP US NOW AND ALWAYS/ IN THE GRACE OF YOUR LOVE!/ AMEN./

THE ROSARY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY



with Scriptural Readings and Spiritual Reflections on the Twenty Mysteries

THE JOYFUL MYSTERIES

(Assigned for Mondays and Thursdays throughout the year, the Sundays in Advent, and the Christmas Season)

Like scenes of some wondrous drama these Mysteries set before us the Joys of the life of our Savior. One by one the scenes are unfolded – Each telling its story, conveying its Gospel lesson to the human soul. The personages mentioned in God's book pass before our mental view. Here are Mary the humble, Joseph the obedient, Elizabeth the prayerful, Simeon the Just, the angels on Earth and in Heaven – all bending lowly in reverence before Jesus, the grand central figure of the Rosary Devotion. Our minds filled with Faith and Hope and Love, we begin the Decades.

THE FIRST JOYFUL MYSTERY

The Annunciation



"When the angel had come to Mary, he said: 'Hail, full of grace, the Lord is with you. Blessed are you among women... You shall conceive and bear a son and give Him the name Jesus.... Mary said, 'Behold the handmaid of the Lord; be it done to me according to your Word!"

(LUKE 1:28, 31, 38)

Mary's Humility

AS JESUS,/ THE SAVIOR OF MANKIND,/ HUMBLED HIMSELF,/ BECOMING OBEDIENT/ EVEN UNTO THE DEATH OF THE CROSS,/ HOW FITTING THAT MARY,/ HIS MOTHER,/ SHOULD IN THE MOMENT OF HER GREATEST EXALTATION/TEACH US THE LESSON OF HUMILITY./

PRIDE WROUGHT THE RUIN OF LEGIONS OF ANGELS;/ THROUGH PRIDE/ OUR FIRST PARENTS SINNED IN THE GARDEN OF HAPPINESS./ BY HUMILITY/ OUR SALVATION WAS ACHIEVED/ -- THE WORD OF GOD./ IN OUR PRIDE/ WE HAVE DISOBEYED GOD'S HOLY LAW/. THROUGH HUMBLE PENANCE/ ARE WE TO REGAIN GOD'S FAVOR/.

O Mary,/ humble handmaid of the Lord,/ pray that we know our own unworthiness!/

THE SECOND JOYFUL MYSTERY The Visitation



"Mary set out, proceeding in haste into the hill country to a town of Judah, where she entered Zechariah's house and greeted Elizabeth. When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the baby leapt in her womb."

(LUKE 1:39-41)

Brotherly Love

CHARITY PROMPTS MARY/ TO VISIT HER COUSIN ELIZABETH IN THE HOUR OF HER NEED./ THE LOVING HEART OF OUR DEAR MOTHER/ ANTICIPATES THE WORDS OF HER DIVINE SON/: "BY THIS SHALL ALL MEN KNOW/ THAT YOU ARE MY DISCIPLES,/ THAT YOU HAVE LOVE FOR ONE FOR ANOTHER."/

"I WAS SICK AND IN PRISON/ AND YOU DID VISIT ME," / SAYS OUR SAVIOR./ AND HE CALLS THOSE / SPECIALLY BLESSED OF HIS FATHER / WHO FEED THE HUNGRY, / CLOTHE THE NAKED, / AND BRING COMFORT TO THOSE THAT MOURN /. WHEREVER WE MOVE ON EARTH / LET US, BY KIND WORD AND SYMPATHETIC ACTION, / BRING THE WARM BREATH OF HEAVENLY CHARITY. /

O Mary,/ sweet Mother of charity,/ teach us to be kind;/ and for the sake of Christ/ to lighten the burden of the least of His brethren!/

THE THIRD JOYFUL MYSTERY The Nativity



"And she brought forth her firstborn Son, and wrapped Him in swaddling clothes, and laid Him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn."

(LUKE 2:7)

Detachment

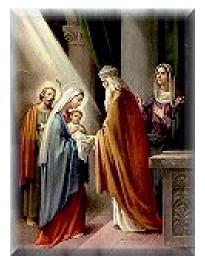
"Wrapped in Swaddling Clothes/ and Laid in a manger"/ is Jesus on the night of His Birth./ The world had forgotten the richness of Being Poor./ It was needful/ that Jesus should enter into the world in Poverty/ to teach the lesson of detachment from Earthly things./ In the Crib of Bethlehem,/ as from the Mount,/ Christ teaches the Selfsame lesson:/ "Blessed are the Poor in Spirit,/ for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven."/

If we possess worldly goods,/ let us act as God's faithful stewards,/ giving liberally to the poor of Christ;/ if poverty be our lot,/ let us not murmur against God's holy will,/ but rather thank God we are saved/ from the many temptations of riches./

O Mary,/ Mother of our Savior,/ teach us to seek first the Kingdom of God!/

THE FOURTH JOYFUL MYSTERY

The Presentation



"When the days of her purification were fulfilled according to the law of Moses, they took him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord – as it is written in the Law of the Lord: 'Every first born male shall be consecrated to the Lord."

(LUKE 2:22, 23)

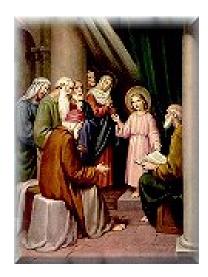
Purity

WHILE JESUS WAS NOT SUBJECT TO THE LAW OF MOSES,/ IN OBEDIENCE TO THE LAW/ HE ALLOWED HIMSELF TO BE PRESENTED IN THE TEMPLE./ AND WHILE MARY HAD NO NEED OF PURIFICATION,/ SHE HUMBLY PRESENTED HERSELF IN THE TEMPLE/ FOR THE PURIFICATION CEREMONY./ OBTAIN FOR US,/ O BLESSED MOTHER,/ THE GRACE TO REMAIN PURE IN MIND AND HEART./

"Blessed are the clean of heart,/ for they shall see God."/ As we are pure of heart,/ so will our vision of the things of God be clear./ By prayer and the Sacraments/ shall we maintain purity of life./ Prayer will keep our minds in touch with God./ Strict examination of conscience/ will make known to us our faults./ The Sacrament of Penance/ will cleanse our souls./ If through the Sacrament of the Eucharist/ we abide in Christ,/ He will abide in us and keep us pure./

O Mary,/ Virgin Mother,/ protect us in body and soul!/

THE FIFTH JOYFUL MYSTERY The Finding in the Temple



"On the third day they found Him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions... and His mother said to Him: 'Son, why have you done this to us? Your father and I have been searching for you in sorrow.' He said to them: 'Why did you search for Me? Did you not know that I must be about My Father's business?'"

(LUKE 2:46, 48, 49)

Zeal for Souls

ZEAL TO BE ABOUT THE THINGS THAT ARE HIS FATHER'S/ PROMPTS JESUS TO REMAIN IN THE TEMPLE/ IN THE MIDST OF THE DOCTORS OF THE LAW,/ HEARING THEM AND ASKING THEM QUESTIONS./ NOTICE THAT JESUS SAYS/ HE "MUST" BE ABOUT HIS FATHER'S BUSINESS - / WHICH IS THE SALVATION OF MANKIND/ FOR WHICH HE WILL ONE DAY SACRIFICE HIS LIFE./ HOW GLORIOUS THE REWARD/ OF THOSE WHO SACRIFICE THEMSELVES/ FOR THE SALVATION OF SOULS!/

Whatever be our station in life,/ we can work for God by word and example./ If our words are holy and of good repute,/ and our actions are prompted by charity,/ justice and purity,/ we are spreading the Gospel of Christ - / carrying His message/ to them that sit in darkness/ and in the shadow of death./

O Mary,/ zealous lover of souls,/ teach us to work for God!/

THE LUMINOUS MYSTERIES

(For Thursdays throughout the year)

WE MEDITATE ON THE LUMINOUS MYSTERIES AS THEY ILLUMINE OUR CONTRIBUTION TO THE EARTHLY/HEAVENLY CULMINATION OF THE DIVINE PLAN FOR CREATION: THROUGH SANCTIFYING GRACE AND GRACE-INSPIRED ACTION, THROUGH RECOURSE TO MARY'S INTERCESSION FOR CHRIST'S ACTION, THROUGH SPECIFIC ACTION FOR THE BUILDING OF GOD'S EARTHLY KINGDOM, INSPIRED BY OUR ENVISIONING OF THE ULTIMATE TRANSFIGURATION OF GOD'S KINGDOM AT THE LAST JUDGMENT AND GENERAL RESURRECTION INTO THE ETERNAL NEW HEAVEN AND NEW EARTH, WITH PRIMARY FOCUS NOW ON OUR UNION WITH CHRIST THROUGH THE EUCHARIST AND MASS,

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THE FIRST LUMINOUS MYSTERY

The Baptism of Jesus



Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan to be baptized by him.... After Jesus was baptized, he came up out of the water, and the heavens opened up for him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending upon him like a dove. A voice came from the heavens, saying, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased."

(MATTHEW 3,13-17)

The Graces of Our Baptism

HEAVENLY FATHER,/ AS WE OFFER YOU THIS MYSTERY,/ WE PRAY THAT WE BE EVER PROMPTED IN GRACE/ TO OFFER ALL OUR DUTIES AND WORKS,/ AND ALSO ALL OUR DAILY FRUSTRATIONS,/ SORROWS,/ AND PAINS,/ SACRIFICIALLY FOR/ AND YOUR SON,/ JESUS CHRIST / IN REDEMPTIVE REPARATION/ FOR THE EFFECTS OF SIN IN THE WORLD,/ THAT - /THEREBY INCREASINGLY DELIVERED FROM THE EVIL OF THESE EFFECTS - / ALL,/ AND ESPECIALLY WORLD LEADERS,/ DISSIDENTS,/ AND INSURGENTS,/ MAY,/ IN THEIR INNATE CREATED GOODNESS,/ BE RESPONSIVE TO THE GRACES OF PEACE AND RENEWAL/ WHEREBY WE ARE PROMPTED AND GUIDED/ IN THE BUILDING OF THE KINGDOM/ IN THE FULLNESS OF DIVINE/HUMAN SHARING/ FOR WHICH GOD CREATED THE WORLD./

Holy Mary Mother of God,/ our mother,/ pray for us sinners to open our hearts/ with humility and perseverance/ to the graces of our baptism,/ now and at the hour of our death./

THE SECOND LUMINOUS MYSTERY

The Wedding Feast at Cana



On the third day, there was a wedding in Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples were also invited to the wedding. When they ran out of wine, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." Jesus replied, "Woman, how does your concern affect me? My hour has not yet come." His mother said to the servers, "Do whatever he tells you." ...

(JOHN 2:1-11)

Trust in the Power of God, Faith in the intercession of Mother Mary

HEAVENLY FATHER,/ AS WE OFFER YOU THIS MYSTERY/ WE PRAY IN THANKSGIVING/ FOR REVEALING YOUR POWER THROUGH YOUR SON/ OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST./ JUST AS JESUS TRANSFORMED WATER INTO WINE,/ WE PRAY THAT WE MAY BE TRANSFORMED BY YOUR LIGHT/ THROUGH THE INTERCESSION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY./

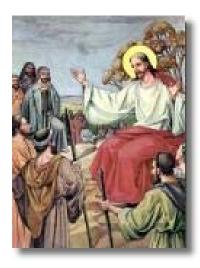
MARY SAID TO JESUS:/ THEY HAVE NO WINE,/ THE LORD RESPONDED BY PERFORMING HIS FIRST MIRACLE./ WHEN WE PUT OUR FAITH IN THE INTERCESSION OF OUR HEAVENLY MOTHER,/ WE HAVE A SURE WAY OF RECEIVING MIRACULOUSLY FROM THE LORD./

WE PRAY ALSO IN THIS MYSTERY/ FOR A BLESSING UPON ALL FAMILIES/ SINCE JESUS AND MARY ARE SO PLEASED/ IN THE HOLY SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE./

Holy Mary Mother of God,/ my mother,/ pray for us sinners,/ that we trust in the power of Jesus through your intercession,/ now and at the hour of our death./

THE THIRD LUMINOUS MYSTERY

The Proclamation of the Kingdom of God



"After John had been arrested, Jesus came to Galilee proclaiming the Gospel of God. 'This is the time of fulfillment. The Kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the Gospel'."

(MARK 1:14-15)

Faith in the Word of God

HEAVENLY FATHER,/ AS WE OFFER YOU THIS MYSTERY,/ WE OPEN OUR HEARTS/ TO THE TEACHINGS OF YOUR SON JESUS CHRIST,/ THE INCARNATE WORD OF GOD./ WE COME IN OUR DARKNESS/ TO BE FILLED WITH THE LIGHT OF CHRIST/ WHO SAYS I AM THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD./

WE COME IN OUR EMPTINESS/ TO BE FILLED WITH HIS WISDOM,/ WE CONFESS OUR SINFULNESS/ AND PRAY FOR THE GRACE OF BEING TRANSFORMED BY HIS WORDS/ AND BECOME HOLY./

Holy Mary Mother of God,/ my mother,/ pray for us sinners,/ to make the Word of God our home/ now and at the hour of our death./

THE FOURTH LUMINOUS MYSTERY

The Transfiguration



Jesus took Peter, John, and James and went up the mountain to pray. While He was praying His face changed in appearance and His clothing became dazzling white. And behold, two men were conversing with Him. Moses and Elijah. A cloud came and cast a shadow over them. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is My chosen Son; listen to Him."

(LUKE 9:28-35)

Acknowledgment of the Divinity of Christ - Transformation into the likeness of Christ.

HEAVENLY FATHER,/ AS WE OFFER YOU THIS MYSTERY,/ WE PRAY THAT THE LIGHT OF CHRIST/ WILL TRANSFORM OUR LIVES,/ RAISING US FORM THE DUST OF OUR HUMAN EXISTENCE/ INTO THE LIGHT OF THE DIVINITY./

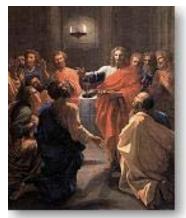
WE STRIVE TO LIVE A HOLY LIFE /AND ASPIRE TO SAY WITH ST. PAUL,/ "IT IS NO LONGER I WHO LIVE,/ BUT CHRIST WHO LIVES IN ME."/

WITH ST. PETER/ WE REJOICE IN THE SPIRITUAL LIFE AND SAY/ "LORD IT IS GOOD TO BE HERE"/

Holy Mary Mother of God,/ my mother,/ pray for us sinners,/ to be transformed into the likeness of Christ/ now and at the hour of our death./

THE FIFTH LUMINOUS MYSTERY

The Institution of the Holy Eucharist



Jesus reclined at table with the Twelve. Jesus took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and giving it to His disciples said, "Take and eat; this is My Body." Then He took a cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you, for this is My Blood of the covenant which will be shared on behalf of many for the forgiveness of sins."

(MATTHEW 26:20-28)

Great Fervor for the Food of Our Souls

HEAVENLY FATHER,/ AS WE OFFER YOU THIS MYSTERY,/ WE THANK YOU FOR PROVIDING US WITH OUR DAILY SPIRITUAL BREAD,/ THE LIGHT OF OUR SOULS./ WE PRAY THAT YOU/ WILL GIVE US HUNGER FOR THE HOLY EUCHARIST/ AND THE HIGHEST REVERENCE FOR THE PRESENCE OF YOUR SON,/ EMMANUEL,/ THE BREAD OF LIFE,/ GOD WITH US/ IN THE SACRIFICE OF THE HOLY MASS./

WE PRAY FOR ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT,/ THE EUCHARISTIC PRESENCE OF JESUS:/ FLESH,/ BLOOD,/ SOUL AND DIVINITY/ IN THE CONSECRATED BREAD AND WINE./

We pray for all priests to be made holy,/ for the worthy reception of this holy Sacrament/ by the preparation of the faithful/ with a good confession./ We pray for the spread of your Eucharistic Kingdom/ throughout the world/ to transform the children of Adam/ into the children of God./

Holy Mary Mother of God,/ my mother,/ pray for us sinners,/ to come worthily to this heavenly banquet/ which you have prepared for us/ now and at the hour of our death./

THE SORROWFUL MYSTERIES

(For Tuesdays and Fridays throughout the year and the Sundays in Lent)

The curtain has fallen on the Luminous Mysteries to rise slowly again, disclosing the principal scenes in the Tragedy of Christ. There is this difference between every other tragedy played out on the wide stage of the earth and the Tragedy of Christ that each one of us acted a sad part in making our Divine Savior suffer. When sorrow for our sins brings tears of humble repentance to our eyes, let us still look up to the Cross – the Symbol of Hope. "And I, if be lifted up from the earth, will draw all things to myself." (John 10:32) Saints have meditated on the sufferings of Christ and have found therein the motive for further battling against temptation; sinners have contemplated the Sorrowing Christ and have experienced the undying truth of His words: "Come to Me all you that labor and are burdened, and I will refresh you." (Matthew 2:28)

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THE FIRST SORROWFUL MYSTERY The Agony in the Garden



"Then Jesus went with them to a place called Gethsemane. He said to His disciples, 'Stay here while I go over there and pray'... And going a little farther, He fell prostrate in prayer, 'Father, if it be possible let this cup pass from Me; yet not My will but Yours be done."

(MATTHEW 26:36-39)

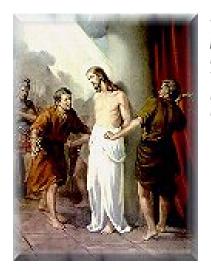
Confidence in Prayer

IN AGONY,/ JESUS EXPRESSES HIS ACCEPTANCE OF THE CUP/ HIS FATHER WILLED FOR HIM./ THREE TIMES/ HE SENT UP THE SELFSAME CRY/ IN RESIGNATION TO THE WILL OF HIS FATHER./

OUR SAVIOR,/ WHO HAD A RIGHT TO BE HEARD/ BECAUSE OF HIS REVERENCE AND SUBMISSION TO HIS FATHER,/ WAS CONSTANT AND HUMBLE IN PRAYER;/ WHILE WE/ WHO HAVE SO FREQUENTLY REBELLED AGAINST GOD,/ PRAY WITH COLDNESS AND DISTRACTION/ AND COMPLAIN/ WHEN OUR PRAYER SEEMS UNHEARD./

O Mary,/ for whom thy Son worked a miracle in answer to prayer,/ pray for us/ and teach us to pray with confidence and humble resignation/ to the will of the Father./

THE SECOND SORROWFUL MYSTERY The Scourging at the Pillar



"The chief priests and elders persuaded the crowds to ask for Barabbas and to destroy Jesus.... Thus Pilate released to them Barabbas; but Jesus, he scourged and delivered up to be crucified."

MATTHEW 27:20, 21, 26)

The Need for Mortification

TO A WORLD GONE MAD IN THE PURSUIT OF PLEASURE,/ CHRIST FROM THE PILLAR SEEMS TO SAY:/ "LEARN OF ME."/ STANDING QUIVERING/ UNDER THE CRUEL LASHES,/ WHAT A LESSON OF MORTIFICATION CHRIST TEACHES!/ IS NOT EVERY GAPING WOUND IN HIS SACRED BODY/ A REBUKE TO US/ WHO SEEK TO INDULGE OURSELVES AT ALL COSTS — /EVEN ENDANGERING OUR ETERNAL SALVATION./ AS WE WATCH THE SCOURGING OF OUR SAVIOR/ LET US REPENT OF OUR SINS,/ ESPECIALLY OUR SINS OF SENSUALITY./

O Mary,/ Mother of Sorrows,/ preach to us anew/ the sermon of St. Paul,/ who chastised his body and brought it under subjection./ "You must know that your body/ is a temple of the Holy Spirit,/ who is within – the Spirit you have received from God./ You are not your own./ You have been purchased at a great price!/ So glorify God in your body."/ (1 Corinthians 7:19)

THE THIRD SORROWFUL MYSTERY The Crowning with Thorns



"The soldiers of the procurator... stripped Jesus and put on Him a scarlet cloak; and plaiting a crown of thorns, they put it upon His head, and a reed into His right hand; and bending the knee before Him saying, "Hail, King of the Jews.' And they took the reed and kept striking Him on the Head."

MATTHEW 27:27-30

Humble Faith

THE HEAD AND FACE OF JESUS,/ WHICH HAD BEEN SPARED IN THE SCOURGING,/ WERE NOW SUBJECTED TO THE TORTURE OF THE CROWN OF THORNS,/ THE BLOWS OF THE REED,/ AND THE SCORN OF SPITTLE./ WHILE THE SCOURGING ATONED FOR THE SINS OF THE FLESH,/ THE HUMILIATION OF THE CROWNING ATONED FOR SINS OF THE MIND/ — ESPECIALLY PRIDE:/ THE PRIDE OF DISOBEDIENCE,/ THE PRIDE OF RASH JUDGMENT,/ THE PRIDE OF UNBELIEF./

WITH HUMBLE FAITH/ LET US ACCEPT THE TRUTHS GOD HAS BEEN PLEASED/ TO REVEAL OF HIMSELF,/ PRAYING: /"I DO BELIEVE, LORD;/ HELP MY UNBELIEF."/ (MARK 9:23)

O Mary,/ help us to see that humbly living our faith,/ will at times,/ involve a crown of thorns!/

The Fourth Sorrowful Mystery The Carrying of the Cross



"They took Jesus and led Him away. And carrying the cross for Himself, He went forth to the place called the Skull, in Hebrew, Golgotha . . ." (John 19:16,17) "As they led Him away, they laid hold of a certain Simon of Cyrene, coming from the country and upon him they laid the cross to bear it after Jesus."

(LUKE 23:26)

Patience Under Trials

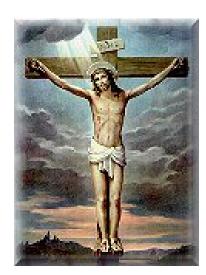
"IF ANY MAN WILL FOLLOW ME,/ LET HIM DENY HIMSELF,/ AND TAKE UP HIS CROSS/ AND FOLLOW ME./ FOR WHOEVER WILL SAVE HIS LIFE/ SHALL LOSE IT;/ AND WHOEVER SHALL LOSE HIS LIFE FOR MY SAKE AND THE GOSPEL,/ SHALL SAVE IT."/ (MARK 8:34). TRUE DISCIPLESHIP OF CHRIST/ IS SHOWN BY THE PATIENCE WITH WHICH WE ENDURE OUR TRIALS./

LIKE THE ROAD TO CALVARY,/ THE ROAD TO ETERNAL LIFE IS NARROW./ IT IS THE WAY OF THE COMMANDMENTS,/ THE WAY OF PATIENCE IN TRIALS,/ OUR DAILY CROSS./

O Mary,/ Mother of Sorrows,/ teach us to bear the Cross with patience!/

THE FIFTH SORROWFUL MYSTERY

The Crucifixion



"After they had crucified Him, they divided His garments, casting lots to fulfill that which was foretold by the prophet, saying: 'They divided my garments among them, and upon my vesture they cast lots'... And they put over His head the charge against Him in writing: 'This is Jesus, King of the Jews.'"

(MATTHEW 27:34-37)

Love of the Cross

"I HAVE A BAPTISM TO RECEIVE./ WHAT ANGUISH I FEEL/ TILL IT IS OVER."/ (LUKE 12:50)

How strange that the Savior/ should sigh for the culmination of His agony — /seeking in death His triumph!/ Our Human nature shrinks from pain./ Yet if our lives are to be Christ-Like,/ we must rather be willing to suffer/ as Christ has taught us/ by His life of sorrow./

TRIALS MUST SURELY ENTER INTO OUR LIVES./ 'TIS WELL WE ACCEPT THEM/ AS COMING FROM THE CHASTENING HAND OF GOD/ TO PURIFY OUR LIVES/ AND BRING US NEARER TO HIMSELF./ OUR NIGHT OF CRUCIFIXION WILL PASS,/ AND THEN WILL DAWN/ THE GLORIOUS MORNING OF OUR RESURRECTION IN GOD./

O Mary,/ who stood beneath the Cross of Thy Son/ and suffered in union with Him,/ teach us to willingly embrace the Cross!/

THE GLORIOUS MYSTERIES

(For Wednesdays and Saturdays throughout the year and the Sundays between Christmas season and Lent and those between the Easter season and Advent.)

THE SORROWS OF CHRIST ARE OVER. STEP BY STEP WE HAVE FOLLOWED HIM, MOURNING OVER OUR SINS, AND WEEPING FOR THE AGONY THEY HAVE CAUSED HIM. WE HAVE ENTERED THE GARDEN OF GETHSEMANE, HEARD HIS THRICE REPEATED PRAYER, WATCHED THE DROPS OF BLOODY SWEAT BEDEWING THE GROUND ON WHICH HE LAY PROSTRATE. THE CRUEL LASHES THAT FELL UPON HIS SACRED BODY HAVE IN A MANNER CUT OUR SOULS WITH BITTER PANGS FOR OUR WRONGDOING. EACH THORN THAT PIERCED HIS ADDRABLE BROW HAS PIERCED US TOO AND STIRRED US TO THOUGHTS OF PENANCE. SORROWING, WE HAVE MOVED TOWARDS CALVARY MINGLING OUR TEARS WITH THOSE OF MARY, AND REPENTING OF THE MANY TIMES WHEN TEMPTED TO SIN, WE HAVE CRIED: "AWAY WITH JESUS OF NAZARETH; CRUCIFY HIM, CRUCIFY HIM." IN AGONY HAVE WE STOOD BENEATH THE CROSS, LIFTING OUR TEAR-STAINED EYES TOWARDS HIM AND HEARING HIM MURMUR: "IT IS CONSUMMATED." YES, THE WORK OF REDEMPTION IS DONE. THE GLOOM IS LIFTED, THE AGONY HAS PASSED. OUR DAY OF RESSURECTION IS AT HAND.

THE FIRST GLORIOUS MYSTERY

The Resurrection



"Then the angel spoke, addressing the women: 'Do not be afraid, I know you are looking for Jesus the crucified, but He is not here. He has been raised, exactly as He promised. Come and see the place where He was laid.""

(MATTHEW 28:5-6)

Rising from Sin

WE HAVE LEARNED BY BITTER EXPERIENCE/ THE SADNESS OF SIN;/ WE HAVE LEARNED HOW EVIL AND BITTER A THING IT IS/ TO HAVE FORSAKEN THE LORD OUR GOD./

YET,/ CHRIST'S RESURRECTION FILLS US WITH HOPE/ THAT WE TOO WILL RISE,/ NOT ONLY ON THE LAST DAY,/ BUT HERE AND NOW - / WITH THE HELP OF HIS GRACE - /ABOVE OUR SELFISH AND WORLDLY INCLINATIONS,/ SO THAT THE GRACES WON BY HIS PASSION/ MAY ABOUND IN OUR SOULS./

O Mary,/ Mother of the Risen Lord,/ teach us gratitude for the many times /He has pardoned our offenses!/

THE SECOND GLORIOUS MYSTERY

The Ascension



"Then He led them out near Bethany, and with hands upraised, blessed them. And as He blessed them, was taken up to heaven. And they worshipped Him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy."

(LUKE 24:50-52)

Presence of God

"Therefore,/ IF YOU BE RISEN WITH CHRIST,/ SEEK THE THINGS THAT ARE ABOVE;/ WHERE CHRIST IS SITTING AT THE RIGHT HAND OF GOD./ MIND THE THINGS THAT ARE ABOVE,/ NOT THE THINGS THAT ARE UPON THE EARTH."/ (CORINTHIANS 3:1-2)

How empty everything earthly appears/ when compared with the beauty of God,/ the beauty that shall be revealed by God/ to them that love Him./

IF LIKE THE SAINTS OF OLD/ WE "WALK WITH GOD,"/ SEEING A REFLECTION OF HIS LOVELINESS/ IN EVERY BEAUTIFUL THING IN LIFE,/ AND TURN OUR THOUGHTS TOWARDS HIM/ OFTEN DURING THE DAY,/ WE ARE LEARNING THE LESSON/ OF CHRIST'S ASCENSION./ THOUGH NOW WE SEE/ "IN A DARK MANNER AS IN A MIRROR,"/ WE ARE MOVING STEADILY FORWARD/ TOWARD THE DIVINE REVELATION/ WHEN WE SHALL SEE HIM FACE TO FACE,/ AND SHALL KNOW EVEN AS WE ARE KNOWN./

O Mary,/ teach us always to realize God's holy presence!/

THE THIRD GLORIOUS MYSTERY The Descent of the Holy Spirit



"And when the days of Pentecost were drawing to a close, they were all together in one place. And suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as of a violent wind coming, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting. And there appeared to them parted tongues as of fire, which settled upon each of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit..."

(ACTS 2:1-4)

Heeding God's Voice

TO KNOW,/ TO LOVE,/ TO SERVE GOD/ IS OUR LIFE'S WORK./ BUT BECAUSE OF THE WEAKNESSES OF FALLEN HUMAN NATURE,/ WE NEED THE AID OF THE HOLY SPIRIT/ TO ACCOMPLISH LIFE'S TASK./

THE HOLY SPIRIT SPEAKS TO US THROUGH OUR CONSCIENCE./ THE MORE WE HEED ITS VOICE/ THE MORE THE HOLY SPIRIT GUIDES OUR CHOICES AND ACTIONS./ WHEREAS THE MORE WE SPURN THE VOICE OF CONSCIENCE,/ THE MORE SELF-LOVE/ (PRIDE OR SENSUALITY)/ DETERMINES OUR ACTIONS,/ FOR THE VOICE OF CONSCIENCE IS GRADUALLY DROWNED OUT/ BY THE CLAMOR OF SELF-LOVE./

O Mary,/ spouse of the Holy Spirit,/ teach us to obey heavenly inspirations!/

THE FOURTH GLORIOUS MYSTERY The Assumption



"My beloved speaks to me: 'Arise, make haste my love, my beautiful one. For winter is now past, the rain is over and gone. The flowers have appeared in our land. . . . Arise, my love, my beautiful one. and come."

(CANT. OF CANT. 2:10-13)

Union with God

WE HAVE ADMIRED MARY'S INTIMATE UNION WITH HER DIVINE SON,/ HER TENDER WATCHFULNESS,/ HER SWEET MOTHERLY SYMPATHY,/ HER GLORIOUS COOPERATION IN THE SACRED WORK OF THE REDEMPTION./ WHEN SHE HAD FULFILLED HER MISSION ON EARTH,/ MARY WAS BORNE BODY AND SOUL TO HEAVEN./

AFTER THE ASCENSION OF JESUS/ THE PHYSICAL SEPARATION DID NOT LESSEN HER UNION WITH HIM/ BUT ONLY CAUSED IT TO INCREASE,/ FOR IN THAT PAINFUL SEPARATION/ HER ARDENT LOVE CONTINUED TO GROW/ IN THE OBSCURITY OF FAITH./ WE/ TOO/ CAN GROWN IN LOVE OF GOD,/ EVEN IN TIMES WHEN HE SEEMS SO DISTANT,/ IF IN FAITH AND TRUST/ WE SEE HIS HAND IN THE UPS AND DOWNS OF LIFE./

O Mary,/ intense lover of God,/ teach us to love God above all things!/

THE FIFTH GLORIOUS MYSTERY

The Coronation of Mary



"And a great sign appeared in heaven; a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars."

(APOCALYPSE 12:1)

Perseverance

"HE THAT SHALL THAT PERSEVERE UNTO THE END,/ HE SHALL BE SAVED."/
(MT. 10:22) MARY ENTERED INTO HER REWARDS,/ AND IS CROWNED WITH GLORY./

WE STILL ARE IN THE VALE OF SORROWS,/ STILL TEMPTED UNTO SIN./ "GOD IS FAITHFUL,/ AND WILL NOT PERMIT YOU TO BE TEMPTED BEYOND YOUR STRENGTH,/ BUT WITH THE TEMPTATION/ WILL ALSO GIVE YOU A WAY/ THAT YOU MAY BE ABLE TO BEAR IT."/ (1 COR. 10:13). THIS THOUGHT/ SHOULD STEADY US/ IN ALL OUR TRIALS/

THE WORLD MAY TEMPT US WITH ITS VANITIES;/ THE FLESH MAY TEMPT US WITH ITS SENSUALITIES;/ THE DEVIL MAY TEMPT US WITH HIS PRIDE;/ BUT NEITHER WORLD,/ NOR FLESH,/ NOR DEVIL,/ WILL BE STRONGER THAN GOD'S GRACE/ THAT SHALL BE OURS/ IN ANSWER TO EARNEST PRAYER./

O Mary,/ crowned with glory in heaven,/ pray that we may be worthy to be crowned like thee!/

LITANY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

LORD, HAVE MERCY ON US. LORD, HAVE MERCY ON US.

CHRIST, HAVE MERCY, CHRIST, HAVE MERCY ON US.

CHRIST, HEAR US CHRIST, GRACIOUSLY HEAR US.

HOLY MARY

Pray for us.

HOLY MOTHER OF GOD HOLY VIRGIN OF VIRGINS MOTHER OF CHRIST MOTHER OF DIVINE GRACE MOTHER MOST PURE MOTHER MOST CHASTE MOTHER INVIOLATE MOTHER UNDEFILED MOTHER MOST AMIABLE MOTHER MOST ADMIRABLE Mother of Good Counsel MOTHER OF OUR CREATOR MOTHER OF OUR SAVIOR **VIRGIN MOST PRUDENT** VIRGIN MOST VENERABLE VIRGIN MOST RENOWNED VIRGIN MOST POWERFUL VIRGIN MOST MERCIFUL VIRGIN MOST FAITHFUL MIRROR OF JUSTICE

SEAT OF WISDOM
CAUSE OF OUR JOY

SPIRITUAL VESSEL

VESSEL OF HONOR

SINGULAR VESSEL OF DEVOTION

PRAY FOR US.

Mystical Rose

Tower of David

TOWER OF IVORY

House of Gold

ARK OF THE COVENANT

GATE OF HEAVEN

MORNING STAR

HEALTH OF THE SICK

REFUGE OF SINNERS

COMFORTER OF THE AFFLICTED

HELP OF CHRISTIANS

QUEEN OF ANGELS

QUEEN OF PATRIARCHS

QUEEN OF PROPHETS

QUEEN OF APOSTLES

QUEEN OF MARTYRS

QUEEN OF CONFESSORS

QUEEN OF VIRGINS

QUEEN OF ALL SAINTS

QUEEN CONCEIVED WITHOUT ORIGINAL SIN

QUEEN ASSUMED INTO HEAVEN

QUEEN OF THE MOST HOLY ROSARY

QUEEN OF PEACE

LAMB OF GOD, YOU TAKE AWAY THE SINS OF THE WORLD, SPARE US, O LORD.

LAMB OF GOD, YOU TAKE AWAY THE SINS OF THE WORLD, GRACIOUSLY HEAR US, O LORD.

LAMB OF GOD, YOU TAKE AWAY THE SINS OF THE WORLD, GRANT US PEACE.

LET US PRAY:

Grant we beg You,/ O Lord God,/ That we Your servants/ May enjoy lasting health of mind and body,/ and by the glorious intercession of the Blessed Mary,/ ever Virgin,/ be delivered from present sorrow/ and enter into the joy of eternal happiness./ Through Christ, our Lord./ Amen./

ACT OF CONSECRATION TO THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

O VIRGIN MARY,/ MOST POWERFUL MOTHER OF MERCY,/ QUEEN OF HEAVEN AND EARTH,/ IN ACCORDANCE WITH YOUR WISH MADE KNOWN AT FATIMA,/ I CONSECRATE MYSELF TODAY TO YOUR IMMACULATE HEART./ TO YOU I ENTRUST ALL THAT I HAVE,/ ALL THAT I AM./ REIGN OVER ME,/ DEAREST MOTHER,/ THAT I MAY BE YOURS IN PROSPERITY,/ IN ADVERSITY,/ IN JOY AND IN SORROW,/ IN HEALTH AND IN SICKNESS,/ IN LIFE AND IN DEATH./

MOST COMPASSIONATE HEART OF MARY,/ QUEEN OF VIRGINS,/ WATCH OVER MY MIND AND HEART/ AND PRESERVE ME FROM THE DELUGE OF IMPURITY/ WHICH YOU LAMENTED SO SORROWFULLY AT FATIMA./ I WANT TO BE PURE LIKE YOU./ I WANT TO ATONE FOR THE MANY CRIMES COMMITTED AGAINST JESUS AND YOU./ I WANT TO CALL DOWN UPON THIS COUNTRY AND THE WHOLE WORLD/ THE PEACE OF GOD/ IN JUSTICE AND CHARITY.

MINDFUL OF THIS CONSECRATION,/ I NOW PROMISE TO STRIVE TO IMITATE YOU/ BY THE PRACTICE OF THE CHRISTIAN VIRTUES/ WITHOUT REGARD FOR HUMAN RESPECT./ I RESOLVE TO RECEIVE HOLY COMMUNION ON THE FIRST SATURDAY OF EVERY MONTH/ WHEN POSSIBLE,/ AND TO OFFER DAILY/ FIVE DECADES OF THE ROSARY,/ WITH ALL MY SACRIFICES/ IN THE SPIRIT OF PENANCE AND REPARATION./ AMEN./

I,/ (MENTION YOUR NAME),/ A FAITHLESS SINNER,/ RENEW AND RATIFY TODAY IN THY HEART,/ O IMMACULATE MOTHER,/ THE VOWS OF MY BAPTISM;/ I

RENOUNCE FOREVER SATAN,/ HIS POMPS AND WORKS;/ AND I GIVE MYSELF ENTIRELY TO JESUS CHRIST,/ THE INCARNATE WISDOM,/ TO CARRY MY CROSS AFTER HIM/ ALL THE DAYS OF MY LIFE,/ AND TO BE MORE FAITHFUL TO HIM/ THAN I HAVE EVER BEEN BEFORE./

QUEEN OF THE MOST HOLY ROSARY,/ IN THE PRESENCE OF ALL THE HEAVENLY COURT,/ I CHOOSE THEE THIS DAY/ FOR MY MOTHER AND MISTRESS./ I DELIVER AND CONSECRATE TO THEE,/ AND TO THY IMMACULATE HEART,/ AS THY CHILD AND SLAVE OF LOVE,/ MY BODY AND SOUL,/ MY GOODS,/ BOTH INTERIOR AND EXTERIOR,/ AND EVEN THE VALUE OF ALL MY GOOD ACTIONS,/ PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE;/ LEAVING TO THEE/ THE ENTIRE AND FULL RIGHT OF DISPOSING OF ME,/ AND ALL THAT BELONGS TO ME,/ WITHOUT EXCEPTION,/ ACCORDING TO THY GOOD PLEASURE,/ FOR THE GREATER GLORY OF GOD,/ IN TIME AND IN ETERNITY./ AMEN./

AT 3:00 P.M.
PLEASE PRAY THE

CHAPLET OF THE DIVINE MERCY

SONGS OF MARY

On This Day, O Beautiful Mother

REFRAIN

ON THIS DAY, O BEAUTIFUL MOTHER, ON THIS DAY, WE GIVE THEE OUR LOVE. NEAR THEE, MADONNA, FONDLY WE HOVER, TRUSTING THY GENTLE CARE TO PROVE.

ON THIS DAY WE ASK TO SHARE, DEAREST MOTHER, THY SWEET CARE AID US ERE OUR FEET ASTRAY WANDER FROM THY GUIDING WAY.

REFRAIN

QUEEN OF ANGELS, DEIGN TO HEAR, LISPING CHILDREN'S HUMBLE PRAY'R; YOUNG HEARTS GAIN, O VIRGIN PURE, SWEETLY TO THYSELF ALLURE.

REFRAIN

O SANCTISSIMA
(O MOST HOLY ONE)

O SANCTISSIMA, O PIISIMA
[O SANCTISSIMA, HOLY QUEEN OF LOVE]
DULCIS VIRGO MARIA!
[DEAREST VIRGIN AND MOTHER1]
MATER AMATA, INTEMERATA,
[BLEST BY EVERY NATION, EVERY GENERATION]
ORA, ORA PRO NOBIS.

TUSOLATIUM ET REFUGIUM,
[O MOST BEAUTIFUL, AND MOST MERCIFUL,]
VIRGO MATER, MARIA!
[GATE OF HEAVEN, WE HAIL YOU.]
QUID QUIDOPTAMUS, PERTE SPERAMUS,
[STAR OF OUR SALVATION, CROWN OF ALL CREATION]
ORA, ORA PRO NOBIS.

ECCE DEBILES, PERQUAM FLEBILES,
[MARY, MYSTIC ROSE, FONT THAT OVERFLOWS,]
SALVANOS, MARIA!
[SEAT OF WISDOM, WE GREET YOU.]
TOLLE LANGUORES, SANA DOLORES
[MOTHER OF OUR SAVIOR, FULL OF GRACE AND FAVOR]
ORA, ORA PRO NOBIS.

VIRGO RESPICE, MATER, ADSPICE
[MARY, PLEAD FOR US; INTERCEDE FOR US.]
AUDI NOS, MARIA!
[COME AND LEAD US TO JESUS]
TUME DICINAM, PORTAS DIVINAM
[MOTHER IN OUR SADNESS, MOTHER IN OUR GLADNESS.]
ORA, ORA PRO NOBIS.

IMMACULATE MARY

IMMACULATE MARY, YOUR PRAISES WE SING; YOU REIGN NOW IN SPLENDOR WITH JESUS, OUR KING.

REFRAIN

AVE, AVE, AVE MARIA! AVE, AVE, AVE MARIA!

WE PRAY FOR OUR PEOPLE, YOUR CHILDREN ON EARTH AND BLESS AND WATCH OVER THE LAND OF OUR BIRTH.

REFRAIN

WE PRAY FOR THE CHURCH, OUR TRUE MOTHER ON EARTH; AND BEG YOU TO WATCH O'ER THE LAND OF OUR BIRTH.

REFRAIN

IN HEAVEN THE BLESSED, YOUR GLORY PROCLAIM; ON EARTH WE, YOUR CHILDREN, INVOKE YOUR SWEET NAME.

REFRAIN

Bring Flowers Of The Rarest

BRING FLOW'RS OF THE RAREST, BRING FLOW'RS OF THE FAIREST, FROM GARDEN AND WOODLAND, AND HILLSIDE AND VALE.

OUR FULL HEARTS ARE SWELLING,
OUR GLAD VOICES TELLING
THE PRAISE OF THE LOVELIEST ROSE OF THE DALE.

REFRAIN

O MARY! WE CROWN THEE WITH BLOSSOMS TODAY, QUEEN OF THE ANGELS, QUEEN OF THE MAY, O MARY, WE CROWN THEE WITH BLOSSOMS TODAY, QUEEN OF THE ANGELS, QUEEN OF THE MAY.

OUR VOICES ASCENDING, IN HARMONY BLENDING,
OH! THUS MAY OUR HEARTS TURN DEAR MOTHER, TO THEE,
OH! THUS SHALL WE PROVE THEE
HOW TRULY WE LOVE THEE,
HOW DARK, WITHOUT MARY LIFE'S JOURNEY WOULD BE.

REFRAIN

O VIRGIN MOST TENDER, OUR HOMAGE WE RENDER, THY LOVE AND PROTECTION, SWEET MOTHER, TO WIN; IN DANGER DEFEND US, IN SORROW BEFRIEND US, AND SHIELD OUR HEARTS FROM CONTAGION OF SIN.

REFRAIN

SALVE REGINA (HAIL HOLY QUEEN)

SALVE REGINA, MATER MISERICORDIAE
HAIL, MARY, MOTHER AND QUEEN OF TENDER MERCY,
VITA, DULCEDO, ET SPES NOSTRA SALVE
[OUR LIFE, OUR COMFORT, AND OUR HOPE, WE HAIL YOU...

AD TE CLAMAMUS, EXSULES FILII HEVAE.

[FROM THIS FOREGIN LAND EVE'S SONS AND DAUGHTERS CRY TO YOU.]

AD TE SUSPI RAMUS,

[SO LOST, SO FULL OF FEAR]

GEMENTES ET FLENTES IN HAC LACRIMARUM VALLE.

[WE MOURN, WE GRIEVE, WE SIGH FROM THIS TEARFUL VALE OF EXILE.]

EIA ERGO, ADVOCATA NOSTRA
[AH, THEN, OUR HELP, OUR ADVOCATE AND GUIDE,]
ILLOS TUOS MISERICORDES OCULOS AD NOS CONVERTE.
[TURN NOW TO US THE GAZE OF YOUR ALL LOVING EYES, SO FULL OF MERCY.]

ET JESUM BENEDICTUM FRUCTUM VENTRIS TUI,

[AND JESUS YOUR SON, AND LORD, YOUR WOMB'S MOST BLESSED
FRUIT]

NOBIS POST HOC EXSILIUM OSTENDE.

[SHOW HIM TO US WHEN WE COMPLETE OUR SOJOURN.]

O CLEMENS, O PIA, [O GENTLE, O LOVING] O DULCIS, VIRGO MARIA. [O BELOVED VIRGIN MARY.]

HAIL MARY, GENTLE WOMAN

HAIL MARY FULL OF GRACE, THE LORD IS WITH YOU.
BLESSED ARE YOU AMONG WOMEN,
AND BLEST IS THE FRUIT OF YOUR WOMB, JESUS.
HOLY MARY, MOTHER OF GOD, PRAY FOR US SINNERS
NOW AND AT THE HOUR OF DEATH. AMEN.

REFRAIN

GENTLE WOMAN, QUIET LIGHT
MORNING STAR, SO STRONG AND BRIGHT,
GENTLE MOTHER, PEACEFUL DOVE,
TEACH US WISDOM, TEACH US LOVE.
YOU WERE CHOSEN BY THE FATHER,
YOU WERE CHOSEN FOR THE SON.
YOU WERE CHOSEN FOR ALL WOMEN
AND FOR WOMAN, SHINING ONE.

REFRAIN

BLESSED ARE YOU, AMONG WOMEN, BLEST IN TURN, ALL WOMEN, TOO. BLESSED THEY WITH PEACEFUL SPIRITS, BLESSED THEY WITH GENTLE HEARTS.

REFRAIN

HAIL, HOLY QUEEN ENTHRONED ABOVE

HAIL, HOLY QUEEN ENTHRONED ABOVE, O MARIA. HAIL, QUEEN OF MERCY AND OF LOVE, O MARIA

REFRAIN

TRIUMPH, ALL YE CHERUBIM; SING WITH US, YE SERAPHIM. HEAV'N AND EARTH RESOUND THE HYMN: SALVE, SALVE, SALVE REGINA! OUR LIFE AND SWEETNESS HERE BELOW, O MARIA. OUR HOPE AND SORROW AND IN WOE, O MARIA.

REFRAIN

O GENTLE, LOVING HOLY ONE, O MARIA.

SHOW US THY SON, OUR JESUS SWEET, O MARIA.

REFRAIN

THE SPRING THROUGH WHICH ALL GRACES FLOW, O MARIA O VIRGIN MARY, WE ENTREAT, O MARIA.

REFRAIN

AVE MARIA

AVE MARIA, GRATIA PLENA.

[AVE MARIA, HAIL, MARY, FULL OF GRACE]

DOMINUS TECUM BENEDICTA TU,

[THE LORD IS WITH YOU. O HOW BLEST ARE YOU]

IN MULIERIBUS, ET BENEDICTUS FRUCTUS VENTRIS TUI, JESUS.

[AMONG ALL EARTH'S WOMEN. AND HOW TRULY BLEST IS THE FRUIT OF YOUR WOMB, JESUS.]

SANCTA MARIA, MATER DEI,
[O HOLY MARY, GOD'S OWN MOTHER,]
ORA PRO NOBIS PECCATORIBUS
[PRAY FOR US, YOUR CHILDREN WHO STRAY FROM THE WAY,]
NUNC ET IN HORA MORTIS NOSTRAE. AMEN.
[NOW AND IN THE FINAL HOUR WHEN WE COME TO DIE. AMEN.]

DAILY, DAILY SING TO MARY

DAILY, DAILY SING TO MARY, SING WITH JOY HER PRAISES DUE! ALL HER FEASTS, HER ACTIONS HONOR, WITH THE HEART'S DEVOTION TRUE. LOST IN WOND'RING CONTEMPLATION, BE HER MAJESTY CONFESSED! CALL HER MOTHER, CALL HER VIRGIN, HAPPY MOTHER VIRGIN BLEST!

SHE IS MIGHTY IN HER PLEADING, TENDER IN HER LOVING CARE; EVER WATCHFUL, UNDERSTANDING, ALL OUR SORROWS SHE WILL SHARE. ADVOCATE AND LOVING MOTHER, MEDIATRIX OF ALL GRACE!

HEAVEN'S BLESSINGS SHE DISPENSES ON OUR SINFUL HUMAN RACE. SING MY TONGUE, THE VIRGIN'S HONORS, WHO FOR US HER MAKER BORE. FOR THE CURSE OF OLD INFLICTED, PEACE AND BLESSING TO RESTORE.

SING IN SONGS OF PRAISE UNENDING; SING THE WORLD'S MAJESTIC QUEEN; WEARY NOT NOR FAINT IN TELLING, ALL THE GIFTS THAT EARTH HAS SEEN.

MOTHER DEAR, O PRAY FOR ME

MOTHER DEAR, O PRAY FOR ME! WHILST FAR FROM HEAV'N AND THEE, I WANDER IN A FRAGILE BARK O'ER LIFE'S TEMPESTUOUS SEA.

O VIRGIN MOTHER, FROM THY THRONE, SO BRIGHT IN BLISS ABOVE, PROTECT THY CHILD AND CHEER MY PATH, WITH THY SWEET SMILE OF LOVE.

REFRAIN

MOTHER DEAR, REMEMBER ME, AND NEVER CEASE THY CARE, TILL IN HEAV'N ETERNALLY, THY LOVE AND BLISS I SHARE.

MOTHER DEAR, O PRAY FOR ME!
SHOULD PLEASURE'S SIREN LAY,
E'ER TEMPT THY CHILD TO WANDER FAR
FROM VIRTUE'S PATH AWAY.
OR SORROW'S GLOOM UPON ME FALL
AND DARKEN ALL BELOW.
THEN MARY AID THY WEEPING CHILD,
THYSELF A MOTHER SHOW.

REFRAIN

MOTHER DEAR, O PRAY FOR ME!
WHEN ALL LOOKS BRIGHT AND FAIR,
THAT I MAY ALL MY DANGER SEE,
FOR SURELY THEN 'TIS NEAR.
A MOTHER'S PRAYER HOW MUCH WE NEED
IF PROSP'ROUS BE THE RAY
THAT PAINTS WITH GOLD THE FLOW'RY MEAD
WHICH BLOSSOMS IN OUR WAY.

REFRAIN

MOTHER, AT YOUR FEET IS KNEELING

MOTHER AT YOUR FEET IS KNEELING, ONE WHO LOVES YOU 'TIS YOUR CHILD WHO HAS SOUGHT SO OFT TO SEE YOU. BLESS ME MOTHER BLESS YOUR CHILD

MOTHER WHEN MY JESUS CALLS ME FROM THIS WORLD SO DARK AND DREARY FROM THE WILY SNARES OF SATAN, SHIELD ME, MOTHER, MOTHER DEAR.

DEAREST MOTHER TELL MY JESUS HOW I LOVE HIM FOND AND TRUE AND OH MARY, DEAREST MOTHER TELL HIM I BELONG TO YOU. PLEAD FOR ME WHEN JESUS JUDGES, ANSWER FOR ME WHEN HE ASKS HOW I SPENT SO MANY MOMENTS HOW I PERFORMED SO MANY TASKS MARY, OH MY DEAREST MOTHER MAY IT E'ER TO ME BE GIV'N AS ON EARTH I FONDLY LOVE THEE, SO, TO LOVE THEE STILL IN HEAV'N.

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You are cordially invited to become a Devotee of Mary Will you accept her special invitation?

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Devotees of Mary is a group of committed, loyal and dependable devotees of Our Lady of Fatima, who answered the call of our Lady to renew their devotion and love for Mary, every First Saturday of the month by coming together in prayer. Their sacrifice attracts the blessings of God as they proclaim Our Lady's message of conversion, penance and true peace to every one.

The Origin:

On July 13, 1917 at Fatima, Portugal, after showing the three children a vision of hell she said, "You have seen hell where the souls of poor sinners go. To save them, God wishes to establish in the world devotion to my Immaculate Heart. If what I say to you is done, many souls will be saved and there will be peace... Our Lady further said, "I shall come to ask for... the Communion of reparation on the first Saturdays..." There are so many souls whom the Justice of God condemns for sins committed against me, that I have come to ask reparation."

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